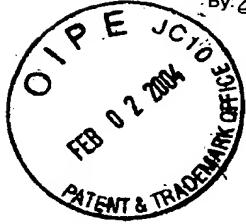


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AMENDMENT A

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Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2003, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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